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SUBJECT: DARFUR: FRENCH READY TO ADOPT UNSC RESOLUTION ON  
HYBRID AU-UN OPERATION

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(SBU) MFA Sudan Desk Officer Frederic Bouvier said on July 31 that France was prepared to vote for adoption of the "in blue" text of a UN Security Council Resolution on the hybrid AU-UN operation in Darfur, a text renegotiated on July 30 in New York. He reported that a final text apparently developed on July 28 was, at U.S. request, reconsidered on July 30, on the basis of U.S. concerns about the timing of the transition of the force from an AU operation to a UN operation. This involved re-negotiation of OP 5, which the U.S., UK, and French delegations succeeded in doing on July 30. Bouvier said that the French side did not anticipate a further need to re-examine the text and was ready to vote for the adoption of the text that had "gone blue" the evening of July 30 in New York.

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